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[REDACTED] to aid the opposition to Allende's coalition of Socialists and Communists in the 18 July 1971 election in Valparaiso and for political activities in the coming year to maintain and strengthen four non-Communist opposition parties against the Allende Socialist/Communist coalition.

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Chile Covert Action Program

On 27 June 1970 the 40 Committee authorized a covert action program aimed at reducing Allende's voter appeal to prevent his election in September. This activity had not been programmed in the Agency's 1971 budget which had been submitted to Congress six months earlier. The amount approved by the 40 Committee was [REDACTED]

On 4 September 1970 Allende received a narrow plurality but not a clear majority of the votes and the election was thrown into the Chilean Congress.

On 14 September 1970 the 40 Committee authorized a second phase of the Chile program to thwart Allende's selection by the Congress and authorized an additional [REDACTED] for this activity.

On 3 November 1970 Allende became President of Chile.

On 10 December 1970 the 40 Committee approved an extension of the Chile program designed to divide and weaken the Allende government, and authorized an additional [REDACTED]

On 3 November 1970 the Agency received a [REDACTED] of [REDACTED] to fund the Chile project for FY 1971.

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